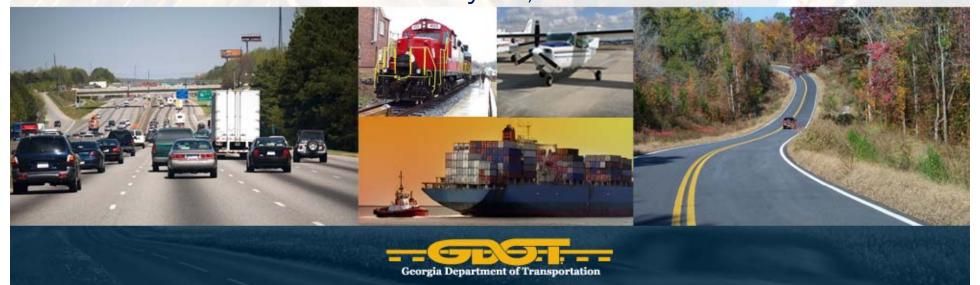
## Statewide Freight & Logistics Plan

State Transportation Board
Statewide Transportation Planning Committee

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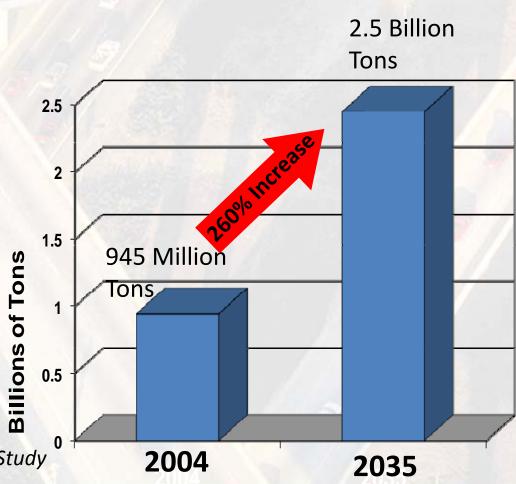
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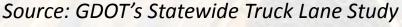
- Georgia's Freight Snapshot
- GDOT's Freight Planning Activities
- Statewide Freight & Logistics Plan



#### GEORGIA FREIGHT FACTS

- Freight flows in Georgiaare forecast to increase260% by the year 2035
- ■Trucks currently carry 86% of the freight moving through Georgia
- ■Truck Traffic is growing twice as fast as car traffic







### GEORGIA FREIGHT FACTS (CONT'D)

- Freight and transportation jobs account for close to 15% of jobs throughout the state
- Georgia is home to 6 of the top 50 cargo carriers, including the World's largest, UPS
- Efficient transportation networks are a primary driver of business location decisions
- Cargo from Georgia is within two or fewer days from 80% of the Nation's commercial and industrial markets

Georgia is the major hub in the southeast for freight movement



#### GDOT'S EXISTING FREIGHT STUDIES & PLANS

- High Priority 6 Corridor Study-2003
- Interstate System Plan-2004
- Freight Planning Guide Book-2004
- Statewide Freight Plan-(adopted by Board Jan 2006)
- Statewide Truck Only Lane Study-2008\*
- Managed Lanes System Plan-2009
- Draft Statewide Strategic Transportation Plan-2010

\*Received Honorable Mention for FHWA/FTA 2008 Planning Excellence Award



#### GDOT'S STATE & NATIONAL FREIGHT PARTNERSHIPS

- Latin America Trade & Transportation Study
- Institute for Trade & Transportation Study
- Commission for New Georgia's (CNG) Freight & Logistics Task Force
- I-95 Corridor Coalition
- Continental 1 Corridor Coalition
- El Camino Corridor



- Freight Plan Goals:
  - Strategic guide of activities and projects to improve the flow of commerce through
     Georgia
  - Provide options and strategies for short,
     medium and long-term freight
     transportation needs



(COORDINATION WITH OTHER EFFORTS)

- Draft Statewide Strategic Transportation Plan
  - Identified high level freight investments (limited access bypasses; rail capacity increases)
  - Identified high level freight flows
  - Recommends detailed investigation as part of Freight Plan
- State Rail Plan
  - Identify relationships between passenger and freight rail
  - Inventory condition of state owned rail lines
  - Develop staged passenger rail implementation plan
  - Identify funding strategies for passenger and freight rail
  - Detail economic impact of passenger and freight rail investments



- Evaluate and analyze the inventory of all public and private components of the state's freight transportation network, including all modes:
  - highway
  - public and private railroads
  - intermodal terminals and intermodal connectors
  - ports
  - airports
- Special attention will be given to the interface of both passenger and freight rail needs and issues
- Evaluate opportunities/ability to shift freight between modes (truck to rail)



- Identify major freight origin and destination hubs (including warehouse/distribution)
- Identify major freight corridors for each mode, and significant freight bottlenecks for all modes
- Last-mile connectivity to Savannah Port and other key locations

- Develop a range of economic forecasts
- Project the state's future freight flows
- Determine benefit to cost ratios for identified projects
- Identify performance metrics for evaluating freight and logistics improvement projects



- Outreach:
  - -Plan Development Advisory Committee
  - -Agency Outreach
  - -Private Sector Outreach
  - -General Public Outreach



- Final Action Plan will:
  - ✓ Identify specific projects
  - √ Consider all modes
  - ✓ Address freight bottlenecks and critical "last mile" locations
  - ✓ Consider benefit/cost analyses, environmental considerations and constructability
  - ✓ Develop a strategic guide to improve the flow of commerce in Georgia



# QUESTIONS?

